

A WILD FLOWER SANCTUARY ON THE TIPPECANOE

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The writer has recently set aside twenty-four acres of land on the Tippecanoe River as a sanctuary for the wild flowers of Indiana. This tract of land, situated near the western edge of Carroll County, lies four miles northwest of Delphi and six miles east of Brookston. About one half of it consists of a steep bluff which rises to a height of seventy-five feet above the river. The other half is level upland adjacent to the bluff.

This bluff is at the outer side of the large horseshoe bend of the Tippecanoe. Locally, this steep slope has been known as Cedar Bluff, because of the abundance of red cedars there. At the present time the deciduous trees seem to be crowding out the cedars. At one point on the bluff is a large spring.

It is the intention of the writer to place in this garden many of the species of wild flowers that are rapidly becoming extinct in Indiana. Many native shrubs also will be planted to furnish food for the birds in the winter time. It is hoped that this wild garden may become a place of refuge for birds as well as for plants.

This sanctuary is to be named Powys Gardens. The word, Powys, is the ancient name of that part of Wales which was the birthplace and boyhood home of the owner.

